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polymer is selected from poly(hydroxy alkanoates), poly(alkylene succinates), polycaprolactones or combinations thereof, and said polar monomer, oligomer, or polymer is selected from 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate, polyethylene glycol methacrylate, and said water-soluble polymer is selected from polyethylene oxide, polyvinyl alcohol, sulfonated polyester, hydroxypropyl cellulose, polyacrylamide or polyacrylic acid.

(Amended) Water-sensitive polymer blends of a modified, biodegradable polymer selected from poly(hydroxy alkanoates), poly(alkylene succinates), polycaprolactones or combinations thereof that are hydrolytically degradable and a modified water-soluble polymer.

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33. (Amended) Water-sensitive polymer blends of modified poly(ethylene) oxide and modified poly(hydroxy alkanoates), poly(alkylene succinates), polycaprolactones or combinations thereof that are hydroxtically degradable.